Public Distribution System for Life Saving Drugs

3676. SHRI N. K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any public sector pharmaceutical companies exist;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether Government propose to introduce a public distribution system for the life saving and essential drugs;

(d) the reaction of Government thereto;

(e) whether any step has been taken by Government to prohibit the supply of harmful medicines which are banned in foreign countries; and

(f) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The details are as under :—

1. Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Ltd., Dundahera, Gurgaon, Haryana.
2. Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd., Pimpri, Pune.
3. Bengal Chemicals and Pharmaceuticals Ltd., Calcutta.
4. Bengal Immunity Ltd., Calcutta.
5. Smith Stainstreet Pharmaceuticals Ltd., Calcutta.
6. * Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd., (Tamil Nadu), Chennai.
7. *Bihar Drugs & Organic Chemicals Ltd., Muzaffapur.

Wholly own subsidiaries of IDPL

(c) and (d) No, Sir. There is no such proposal.

(e) and (f) The report of the drugs banned in foreign countries received through WHO publications or in lay press or in medical journals are examined by an Expert Committee, a sub-committee of Drugs Technical Advisory Board (DTAB), a statutory committee under the Drugs & Cosmetics Act, 1940. The drug, if found irrational or harmful, is prohibited for import under Section 10A and manufacture and sale under Section 26-A of the said Act. There is no uniform pattern of prohibition of drug followed in the world. The drug banned by one country may continue to be used or sold in other countries. A list of drugs banned is enclosed as Statement.

Statement

Upto date list of Drugs prohibited for Manufacture and Sale through Gazette Notification GSR 578 (E) dated 23-7-83 amended from time to time

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G.S.R. 578(E) :—Whereas the Central Government is satisfied that the use of the drugs specified in the Table below is likely to involve risk to human being or the said drugs do not have the therapeutic value claimed or purported to be claimed for them or contain ingredients and in such quantities for which there is no therapeutic justification and it is necessary and expedient in the public interest so to do :—

Now, therefore, in exercise of powers conferred by Section 26A of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940 (23 of 1940), the Central Government hereby prohibits the manufacture and sale of the said drugs, namely :—

TABLE

1. Amidopyring.
2. Fixed dose combinations of Vitamins with anti-inflamatory agents and tranquilisers.
3. Fixed dose combinations of Atropine in Analgesics and Antipyretics.
4. Fixed dose.combinations of Strychnine and Caffeine in tonics.
5. Fixed dose combinations of Yohimbine and Strychnine with Testosterone and Vitamins.
6. Fixed dose combinations of Iron with Strychnine Arsenic and Yohimbine.
7. Fixed dose combinations of Sodium Bromide/Chloralhydrate with other drugs.
8. Phenacetin.
9. Fixed dose combinations of anti-histaminics with anti-diarrhoeals.
10. Fixed dose combinations of Penicillin with Sulphonamides

	11.	Fixed .dose combinations of Vitamins with Analgesics.
B	12.	Fixed dose combinations of any other tetracyclines with Vitamin C.
E	13.	Fixed dose combinations of Hydroxyquinoline group of drugs with any other drug except for preparations meant for external use.
CCC	14.	Fixed dose combinations of Corticosteroids with any other drug for internal use.
CCC	15.	Fixed dose combinations of Chloramphenicol with any other drug for internal use.
XXX	16.	Fixed dose combinations of crude Ergot preparations except those containing Ergotamine, Caffeine, Analgesics, antihistamines for the treatment of migraine, headaches.
	17.	Fixed dose combinations of Vitamins with Anti-TB drugs except combinations of Isoniazide with Pyridoxine Hydrochloride (Vitamin B6)
	18.	Penicillin Skin/eye oinment.
	19.	Tetracycline Liquid Oral preparations
	20.	Nialamide.
	21.	Practolol.
	22.	Methapyrilene, its salts.
C	23.	Methaqualone.
&	24.	Oxytetracycline Liquid Oral preparations.
&	25.	Demeclocycline Liquid Oral preparations.
T	26.	Combinations of Anabolic Steroids with other drugs.
cc	27.	Fixed dose combinations of Oestrogen and Progestin (other than oral contraceptive) containing per tablet estrogen content of more than 50 mg. (equivalent to Ethinyl Estradiol) and of progestin content of more than 3 mg. (Equivalent to Norethisterone Acetate) and all fixed dose combination injectable preparations containing synthetic oestrogen and progesterone.

*	28.	Fixed dose combination of Sedalives/hypnotics/anxiolytics with analgesics-anti-pyretics.
*	29.	Fixed dose combination of Pyrazinamide with other anti-tuberculer drugs except combination of Pyrazinamide with Rafampicin and INH as per recommended daily dose given below:

Drugs	*Minimum*	*Maximum.*
Rifampicin	450 mg.	600 mg.
INH	300 mg.	400 mg.
Pyrazinamide	1000 mg.	1500 mg.

*	30.	Fixed dose combination of histamine H2-receptor antagonists with antacids except for those combinations approved by the Drugs Controller, India.
*	31.	The patent and proprietary medicines of fixed dose combinations of essential oils with alcohol having percentage higher than 20% proof except preparations given in the Indian Pharmacopoeia.
*	32.	All Pharmaceuticals preparations containing Chloroform exceeding 0.5%, w/w or v/v whichever is appropriate.
**	33.	Fixed dose combination of Ethambutol with INH other than the following:—

INH	Ethambutol
200 mg.	600 mg.
300 mg.	800 mg.

**	34.	Fixed dose combination containing more than one anti-histamine.
B**	35.	Fixed dose combination of any anthemintic with cathartic/purgative except piperazine/santonin.
**	36.	Fixed dose combination of Salbutamol or any other bronchodialator with centrally acting anti-tussive and/or anti-histamine.
**	37.	Fixed dose combination of laxatives and/or anti-spasmodic drugs in enzyme preparations.
G**	38.	Fixed dose combination of Metoclopramide with systemically absorbed drugs except fixed dose combination of metoelopramide with aspirin/paracetamol.

**	39.	Fixed dose combination or centrally acting anti-tussive antihistamine having high atropine like activity in expectorants.
**	40.	Preparations claiming to combat cough associated with asthma containing centrally acting anti-tussive and/or an antihistamine.
**	41.	Liquid oral tonic, preparations containing glycerophosphates and/or other phosphates and/or central nervous system stimulant and such preparations containing alchohol more than 20 proof.
**	42.	Fixed dose combination containing pactin and/or kaolin with any drug which is systemically absorbed from GI tract except for combinations of Pectin and/or kaolin with drugs not systemically absorbed.
***	43.	Chloral Hydrate as a drug.
b	44.	Dovers powder I.P.
b	45.	Dover's powder Tablets I.P.
A	46.	Anti-diarrhoeal formulations containing kaolin or pectin or Attapulgite or Activated Charcoal.
A	47.	Anti-diarrhoeal formulations containing Phthalyl Sulphathiazole or Sulphaguanidine or Succinyl Sulphathiazole.
A	48.	Anti-diarrhoeal formulations containing Neomycin or Streptomycin or Dihydrostreptomycin including their respective sales or esters.
A	49.	Liquid Oral anti-diarrhoeals or any other dosage form for paediatric use containing Diphenoxylate or Loparamide or Atropine or Belladonna including their sales or esters or metabolities Hyoscyamine or their extracts or their alkaloids.
A	50.	Liquid Oral anti-diarrhoeals of any other dosage form for paediatric use containing halogenated hydroxyqinolines.
A	51.	Fixed dose combination of anti-diarrhoeals with electrolytes.
C	52.	Patent and proprietary oral Rehydration Salts other than those conforming to the specified parameters.
D	53.	Fixed dose combination of Oxphenbutazone or Phenylbutazone/ with any other drug.

HD	54.	Fixed dose combination of Analgin with any other drug.
D	55.	Fixed dose combination of dextropropoxyphene with any other drug other than anti-spasmodics and/or non-steroidal anti-inflamtory drugs (NSAIDS).
D	56.	Fixed dose combination of a drug, standards of which are prescribed in the second Schedule to the said Act with an Ayurvedic Siddh or Unani drug.
F	57.	Mepacrine Hydrochloride (Quinacrine and its salts) in any dosage form for female sterilization or contraception.
F	58.	Fenfluramine and Dexfenfluramine.
I	59.	Fixed dose combination of Diazepam and Diphenhydramine Hydrochloride.

The Principal Notification GSR 578(E) dt. 23-7-83.

c	Added b GSR4(E) dated 31.01.1984
&	Added b GSR 322(E) dated 03.05.1984
T	Amended by GSR 863(E) dated 22.11.1985
cc	Amended by GSR 743(E) dated 10.08.1989
ccc	Amended by GSR 1057(E) dated 03.11.1988
*	Added by GSR 999(E) dated 26.12.1990
**	Added by GSR 69(E) dated 11.02.91
xxx	Added by GSR 304(E) dated 7.06.1991
@	Added by GSR444(E) dated 30.4.1992
b	Added by GSR 111(E) dated 22.2.1994
A	Added by GSR 731(E) dated 30.9.94
B	Amended by GSR 848(E) dated 7.12.94
C	Amended by GSR 57(E) dated 7.2.95
D	Added by GSR 633(E) dated 13.9.95
E	Amended by GSR 793(E) dated 13.3.95
	Amended by GSR 93(E) dated 25.5.1997
F	Amended by GSR499(E) dated 14.08.1998
G	Amended by GSR 394(E) dated 19.05.99
H	Amended by GSR 405(E) dated 3.06.99
I	Amended by GSR 169(E) dated 12.3.01

Drugs prohibited for manufacture, sale and distribution under other Notifications

	Drugs formulations	Elective date	Notification
1.	Cosmetics Licensed as toothpastes/ tooth powder containing	With immediate effect	GSR 444(E) dt. 30-4-92
2.	Parenteral Preparations containing fixed dose combination of streptomycin with Penicillin	Jan. 1, 1998	GSR 93 (E) dt. 25-2-97
3.	Fixed dose combination of Vitamin Bl, Vitamin B6 and Vitamin B 12 for human use .	Jan. 1, 2001	GSR 702(E) dt.14-10-99
4.	Fixed dose combination of haemoglobin in any form (natural or synthetic)	Sept. 1, 2000	GSR 814 (E) dt. 16-12-99
5.	Fixed dose combination of Pancreatin or Pancretipase containing amylase, protease and lipase with any other enzyme	Sept. 1, 2000	GSR 814 (E) dt. 16-12-99
6.	Fixed dose combination of Nitrofurantoin and Trimethoprim	Jan. 1, 2002	GSR 170 (E) dt. 12-3-01
7.	Fixed dose combination of Pheno-barbitone with any anti-asthamatic drugs	Jan. 1, 2002	GSR 170 (E) dt. 12-3-01
8.	Fixed dose combination of Phenobarbitone with Hyoscin and/or Hyoscyamine	Jan. 1, 2002	GSR 170 (E) dt. 12-3-01
9.	Fixed dose combination of Phenobarbitone with Ergotamine and/or Belladona	Jan. 1, 2002	GSR 170 (E) dt. 12-3-01
10.	Fixed dose combination of Haloperidol with any anti-cholinergic agent including Propentheline Bromide	Jan. 1, 2002	GSR 170 (E) dt. 12-3-01

	Drugs formulations	Elective date	Notification
11.	Fixed dose combination of Nalidixic acid with any anti-amoebics including Metronidazole	Jan. 1, 2002	GSR 170 (E) dt. 12-3-01
12.	Fixed dose combination of Loperamide Hydrochlopride with Furazolidone	Jan. 1, 2002	GSR 170 (E) dt. 12-3-01
13.	Fixed dose combination of Cyproheptadine, with Lysine or Peptone	Jan. 1,2002	GSR 170 (E) dt. 12-3-01

US Herbal Medicine for Diabetes

3677. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a US company named U.S. Botanical Limited has launched an Ayurvedic medicine 'Herbal Supplement' time tested medicine in India that claims to restore blood sugar level of diabetics;

(b) if so, whether this medicine is easily available in the country; and

(c) the steps taken to make this medicine available to diabetes patients throughout the country?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C. P. THAKUR) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Recognised Blood Bank in Andhra Pradesh

3678. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of recognized blood banks presently operating in different parts of Andhra Pradesh, district-wise;

(b) whether there is shortage of blood in the State; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to ensure that the blood banks in the State adhere to rational blood banking in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House. (*See* below)

(b) and (c) There is no overall shortage of blood in the State, though there could be seasonal and occasional shortages. For generating enough blood